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For: REMOVABLE MOVING MEMBER FOR KNITTING AND  
WEFT KNITTING MACHINE PROVIDED WITH  
KNITTING MEMBER SWITCHING APPARATUS (as  
amended)

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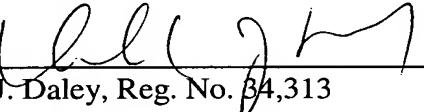
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